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Application Number	09/833,581
Filing Date	April 13, 2001
First Named Inventor	Dennis
Title	System and Method for Processing Overlapped Task in a Programmable Network Processor
Art Unit	
Examiner Name	
Attorney Docket Number	84,885

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Name	Thomas E. McDonnell		
Signature	<i>Thomas E. McDonnell</i>		
Date	22 Oct 2003	Telephone	703-696-4023

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### STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 3.73(b)

Applicant/Patent Owner: The United States of America as Represented by the Secretary of the Navy

Application No./Patent No.: 09/833,581 Filed/Issue Date: April 13, 2001

Entitled: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR PROCESSING OVERLAPPING TASK IN A PROGRAMMABLE NETWORK PROCESSOR ENVIRONMENT  
The United States of America as Represented  
by the Secretary of the Navy

(Name of Assignee) a Government Agency  
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states that it is:

1. ☒ the assignee of the entire right, title, and interest; or
2. ☐ an assignee of less than the entire right, title and interest.  
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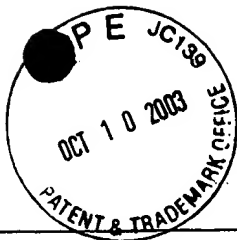
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Sept 22, 2003  
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Thomas E. McDonnell  
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Attorney Docket No: ACRN-001/00US

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**ASSIGNMENT  
(Joint)**

Jack Bonnell Dennis, residing at 55 Wellesley Road, Belmont, MA 02478; Joel Zvi Apisdorf, residing at, 12205 Nutmeg Lane, Reston, VA 20191; Sam Brandon Sandbote, residing at, 1988 Crescent Park Drive, Reston, VA 20190 (hereinafter each referred to as "Assignor") have made an invention(s) relating to certain new and useful improvements in:

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set forth in an application for Letters Patent of the United States, which is a

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WHEREAS, ACORN NETWORKS, INC. a corporation duly organized under and pursuant to the laws of Delaware, and having its principal place of business at 11491 Sunset Hills Road, Suite 350, Reston, VA 20190 (hereinafter referred to as "the Assignee"), is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title, and interest in and to said invention(s), the right to file applications on said invention(s) and the entire right, title and interest in and to any applications, including provisional applications for Letters Patent of the United States or other countries claiming priority to said application, and in and to any Letters Patent or Patents, United States or foreign, to be obtained therefor and thereon;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of One Dollar (\$1.00) and other good and sufficient consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, the Assignor has sold, assigned, transferred, and set over, and by these presents does sell, assign, transfer, and set over, unto the Assignee, its successors, legal representatives, and assigns the entire right, title, and interest in and to the above-mentioned invention(s), the right to file applications on said invention(s) and the entire right, title and interest in and to any applications for Letters Patent of the United States or other countries claiming priority to said applications, and any and all Letters Patent or Patents of the United States of America and all foreign countries that may be granted therefor and thereon, and in and to any and all applications claiming priority to said applications, divisions, continuations, and continuations-in-part of said applications, and reissues and extensions of said Letters Patent or Patents, and all rights under the Paris Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property, the same to be held and enjoyed by the Assignee, for its own use and behalf and the use and behalf of its successors, legal representatives, and assigns, to the full end of the term or terms for which Letters Patent or Patents may be granted as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by the Assignor had this sale and assignment not been made;

AND for the same consideration, the Assignor hereby covenants and agrees to and with the Assignee, its successors, legal representatives, and assigns, that, at the time of execution and delivery of these presents, the Assignor is a lawful owner of the entire right, title, and interest in and to the invention(s) set forth in said applications and said applications, including provisional applications, above-mentioned, and that the same are unencumbered, and that the Assignor has good and full right and lawful authority to sell and convey the same in the manner herein set forth;

AND for the same consideration, the Assignor hereby covenants and agrees to and with the Assignee, its successors, legal representatives, and assigns that the Assignor will, whenever counsel of the Assignee, or the counsel of its successors, legal representatives, and assigns, shall advise that any proceeding in connection with said invention(s) or said applications for Letters Patent or Patents, or any proceeding in connection with Letters Patent or Patents for said invention(s) in any country, including interference proceedings, is lawful and desirable, or that any application claiming priority to said application, division, continuation, or continuation-in-part of any applications for Letters Patent or Patents, or any reissue or extension of any Letters Patent or Patents to be obtained thereon, is lawful and desirable, sign all papers and documents, take all lawful oaths, and do all acts necessary or required to be done for the procurement, maintenance, enforcement and defense of Letters Patent or Patents for said invention(s), without charge to the Assignee, its successors, legal representatives, and assigns, but at the cost and expense of the Assignee, its successors, legal representatives, and assigns;

AND the Assignor hereby authorizes and requests the attorneys of COOLEY GODWARD L.L.P. to insert in the spaces provided above the filing date, application number, the dates of execution of the oath or declaration, and attorney docket number of said application when known;

AND the Assignor hereby requests the Commissioner of Patents to issue any and all said Letters Patent of the United States to the Assignee, as the Assignee of said invention(s) and the Letters Patent to be issued thereon for the sole use and behalf of the Assignee, its successors, legal representatives, and assigns.

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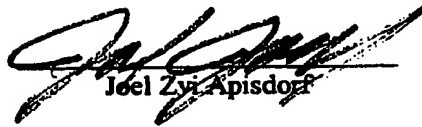
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# ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, ACORN NETWORKS, INC., a corporation organized under the laws of \_\_\_\_\_ is the lawful owner of the entire right, title, and interest in the following patents and/or patent applications:


Patent Title	Application/Patent Number	Inventors
Real-Time Scheduler Method and Apparatus	Patent #US 6,195,699 B1	Jack B Dennis
Multithread Computer Design to Support an Advanced Programming Model	60/166,684	Jack B Dennis
Multiple Buffer Queuing of Data Packets with High Throughput Rate	09/688,407	Tam-Anh Chu
Multi-Thread Peripheral Processing Using Dedicated Peripheral Bus	09/715,772	Jack B Dennis, Sam B Sandbote
Locking Memory Accesses in Multi-Thread Computing System	09/715,773	Jack B Dennis
Prioritizing Resource Utilization in Multi-Thread Computing System	09/715,778	Jack B Dennis
Priority Mechanism for a Multithreaded Computer	60/166,685	Jack B Dennis
Integrated Processor for Multithread Computer with Real-Time Input/Output Capability	60/166,686	Jack B Dennis
Data-Locking Scheme for Multithread Computer	60/166,667	Jack B Dennis
System and Method for Processing Overlapping Tasks in a Programmable Network Processor Environment	09/833,581	Jack B Dennis, Joel Z Apisdorf, Sam B. Sandbote
System and Method for Data Forwarding in a Programmable Network Processor Environment	09/833,578	Jack B Dennis, Joel Z Apisdorf, Michael D Poole
System and Method for Instruction-Level Parallelism in a Programmable Network Processor Environment	09/833,580	Joel Z Apisdorf, Sam B. Sandbote
Adaptive Control of Multiplexed Input Buffer Channels	09/859,150	Sam B Sandbote
Shift Processing Unit	09/833,786	Sam B Sandbote

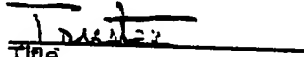
WHEREAS, the Government of the United States, as represented by the Secretary of the Navy and hereinafter referred to as the Government, is desirous of acquiring an assignment of the invention disclosed in said applications and/or patents; and

WHEREAS, Acorn Networks, Inc., is desirous of granting such an assignment;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of good and valuable consideration the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, Acorn Networks, Inc. hereby assigns and transfer to the Government the entire right, title and interest in and to U.S. Patent No. 6,195,699, and in and to U.S. Patent Application Nos. 60/166,684, 09/688,407, 09/715,772, 09/715,773, 09/715,778, 60/166,685, 60/166,686, 60/166,667, 09/833,581, 09/833,578, 09/833,580, 09/859,150, and 09/933,786, and the entire right, title and interest in and to any continuation, division, or substitution thereof, and such Letters Patent as may issue therefrom and any reissue or extensions thereof, said invention, application and Letters Patent to be held by the Government to the end of the term for which said Letters Patent may be granted, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held by Acorn Networks, Inc. had this assignment not been made.

Executed this 11<sup>th</sup> day of JUNE, 2002, at ALEXANDRIA, VA

  
Signature

  
Treasurer

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT  
Eastern District of Virginia  
Alexandria Division

In Re:

CASE NO. 02-81375-RGM

ACORN NETWORKS, INC.

Debtor(s)

(Chapter 7)

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APPOINTMENT OF INTERIM TRUSTEE AND TRUSTEE  
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ROBERT O. TYLER of ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA,  
is hereby appointed Interim Trustee for the estate(s) of the above named  
debtor(s). Unless a trustee is elected at the meeting of creditors to be  
called pursuant to Section 341 of Title 11, United States Code, in the above  
referenced case, the Interim Trustee shall serve as Trustee.

This case is covered by the blanket bond for Chapter 7 case Trustees, a  
copy of which is on file with the Court.

March 26, 2002  
Dated

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United States Trustee

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